

November 2016

Marykirk Primary



Dates for the Diary

1st Dec – The Underwater World AECC (P6/7 only)
13th Dec – Marykirk School Nativity (2:15pm and 6:30pm)
14th Dec – Whole School Panto trip
15th Dec – Community Café and choir singing
16th Dec – Christmas Lunch/Christmas jumper day
19th Dec – Christmas Church Service 9:30am
21st Dec – Christmas Party

Holidays

Term Ends Wed 21st Dec
Term 3 begins Thur 5th Jan 2017
Occasional Days – 9th and 10th February
Mid Term Mon 13th February
In-Service days 14th and 15th Feb
Term ends Fri 31st Mar
Term 4 begins Tues 18th April
May Day – Mon 1st May
Term ends – Fri 30th June



Dear Parent/Carer,

As Christmas madness is now well and truly underway please take time to read and make note of the dates for the diary!

We are all looking forward to a very busy and exciting countdown to Christmas 🎅!

Achievement Assembly

The following pupils received a special mention at assembly this month:-

Ben Ross (P3) & Katy McNamee (P3) - fantastic effort in PE. Worked really hard at their circuit training and gave it their all!

Fraser Sturrock, John Milne, Daniel Williamson & Harvey Dawson (P5) - Always putting their best effort in at running club and making us all have to work hard to keep the pace up 😊.

Charlie Duncan (P6) - being more responsible and showing a positive attitude in class.

We are trying to encourage our pupils to share and celebrate all learning experiences and opportunities. Please encourage your child to do this by bringing in any achievement awards/certificates, photographs or pictures that demonstrate learning out with the school. It may be a sports award, rainbow/brownie/beaver/cubs badge or simply a photo showing that they can tie their shoelaces. Many valuable learning experiences happen at home and we would like to know about it!

Christmas Coffee Morning

Our annual coffee morning was held on Saturday 26th November.

As always we were overwhelmed by the support and attendance on the day. Without the support of our parents and community the children would not benefit from the wide range of experiences and opportunities that we can currently provide. A huge thank you to everyone who helped to make the day such a success! The atmosphere was lovely on the day and there have been several comments about how warm, friendly and inclusive the event was. The overall profit was approximately £1300, a tremendous amount - well done everyone!

Every child has the right to relax, play and join in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

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MPCC NEWS

Next MPCC meeting – 17th January 2017 6.30 pm in school. All welcome.

Easyfundraising

As Christmas shopping madness is well under way, please remember to log in to 'easyfundraising' (link to the left) when ordering online. This does not cost anything extra for you but the school benefits with every purchase!

Rag Bag

Thank you to everyone who donates to our textile bank. We benefit greatly from your donations. This year the school has already received cheques to the value of almost £550 which goes directly in to school funds to buy resources and equipment to support learning. Please remember that they now only collect wearable clothing, paired shoes, handbags and belts.

In-Service Days

Members of staff attended training on Visible Learning during the November in-service days and time was also spent with other colleagues looking at improved approaches to reporting. More information regarding how we share learning with parents will be issued next term.

Movie Night

We will be holding a movie night on Friday 9th December from 3:15pm - 5pm. The chosen film is 'Elf' and ticket letters will be issued this week. Please be aware that this film is a PG and by returning the slip to request tickets you are giving permission for your child to take part.

Community Café

We will be holding our final Community Café of the year on Thursday 15th December from 10 am - 11 am where our Choir will be showcasing their talents with Kodaly teacher Mrs Edgar! All family and friends welcome.

Christmas Service

We are holding a Christmas Service in the church on Monday 19th December from 9:30-10:30. All friends and family welcome.

Christmas Party

Our Christmas party will be held on Wednesday 21st December in the morning. Children should come dressed in their party clothes and may remain in these for the duration of the day.

Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 16th December we would like to encourage all our pupils and staff to come wearing a Christmas jumper or festive clothing and bring £1 to support 'Save the Children'. As not everyone owns a Christmas jumper we are suggesting children could come with tinsel in their hair, red/green clothing, sparkles or Santa hats!! Let's do our bit to help children around the world this Christmas.

Save the Children works to give children a healthy start in life, the opportunity to learn and protection from harm. We do whatever it takes for children – every day and in times of crisis – transforming their lives and the future we share.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any queries. Thank you for your continued support.

Fiona Thomson,
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